

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An overhead garage door ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially a plurality of three rectangular garage door sections, the sections being pivotally connected together one above the other, ~~each~~ at least two of the door sections ~~each~~ including at least one thin-walled face panel and one or more rectangular patterns embossed in the face panel, wherein each of the rectangular embossed patterns in the face panels is taller than it is wide, and the embossed patterns cooperate to provide the garage door with the simulated appearance of at least two separate, cooperating ~~vertically-hung~~ swinging doors when the garage door is in a closed position.
2. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 1 wherein the embossed patterns provide the garage door with the simulated appearance of at least two cooperating vertically-hung doors that are substantially constructed of a plurality of spaced interconnected vertical and horizontal frame members and a plurality of substantially planar inset panels disposed between the spaced frame members.
3. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 2 wherein the embossed patterns provide at least a portion of the face panels of the garage door with the simulated appearance of inset panels formed by a plurality of interconnected tongue-and-groove planks.
4. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 2 wherein the embossed patterns further provide the garage door with the simulated appearance of at least two cooperating vertically hung doors that include at least one diagonal frame member.

5. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 1 wherein the thin-walled face panels are substantially constructed of sheet metal.

6. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 1 wherein the thin-walled face panels are substantially constructed of plastic.

7. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 1 wherein each garage door section further comprises at least one layer of insulation therein.

8. (currently amended) An overhead garage door comprising:

(a) a substantially rectangular upper section, the upper section including an thin-walled upper face panel having an upper front face, an upper edge, a lower edge, and side edges, the upper front face comprising a first integrally-formed substantially vertical groove substantially extending between the upper and lower edges;

(b) a substantially rectangular lower section, the lower section including a thin-walled lower face panel having a lower front face, a top edge, a lower edge, and side edges, the lower front face comprising a second integrally-formed substantially vertical groove substantially extending between the top and bottom edges;

(c) at least one connector pivotally connecting the bottom edge of the upper section to the top edge of the lower section, the upper and lower front faces being substantially coplanar when the garage door is in a closed position;

(d) wherein the first and second substantially vertical grooves are substantially collinear when the garage door is in the closed position, thereby substantially simulating the appearance of a vertical separation between left and right portions of the upper and lower sections, and wherein opposed portions of the upper and lower sections on either side of the first and second substantially vertical grooves are bilaterally symmetric with each other.

9. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein at least one of the upper and lower front faces includes one or more embossed patterns that provide the simulated appearance of an inset panel portion.

10. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 9 wherein each embossed pattern is substantially rectangular and has a height to width ratio of at least about 1.2.

11. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 9 wherein each embossed pattern comprises a substantially planar portion including a plurality of spaced, vertical, substantially parallel grooves, the substantially planar portion thereby substantially simulating the appearance of an inset panel formed by a plurality of assembled tongue-and-groove planks.

12. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 11, wherein each embossed pattern further comprises an integrally-formed, diagonally-oriented, simulated support member.

13. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 9, wherein each embossed pattern further comprises an integrally-formed, diagonally-oriented, simulated support member.

14. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the substantially vertical first and second grooves in the upper and lower sections are substantially horizontally centered between the side edges of the upper and lower sections.

15. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8, the garage door further comprising:

(a) a first embossed pattern integrally formed in the upper front face of the upper section, the first embossed pattern comprising an integrally-formed panel portion, and a first raised, integrally-formed, diagonally-oriented, simulated support member having a first longitudinal axis that is nonparallel to any edge of the upper section; and

(b) a second embossed pattern integrally-formed in the lower front face of the lower section, the second embossed pattern comprising an integrally formed panel portion, and a

raised, integrally-formed, diagonally-oriented, simulated support member having a second central longitudinal axis that is nonparallel to any of the edges of the lower section;

(c) wherein the upper and lower sections are substantially coplanar and the first and second central longitudinal axes of the simulated support members are substantially collinear when the garage door is in a closed position.

16. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein at least one of the panel portions in the upper or lower sections is substantially rectangular and has a height to width ratio of at least about 1.2:1.

17. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the upper section includes an embossed pattern having a substantially arcuate upper edge.

18. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the upper section includes at least one window opening.

19. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the upper and lower sections are substantially constructed of sheet metal.

20. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the upper and lower sections are substantially constructed of plastic.

21. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 8 wherein the upper section includes at least one upper insulation layer therein, and wherein the lower panel includes at least one lower insulation layer therein.

22. (currently amended) An overhead garage door comprising an embossed pattern in a thin-walled face panel, the embossed pattern comprising an integrally-formed panel portion, the panel portion having a substantially planar portion including a plurality of spaced, parallel vertical grooves, the substantially planar portion thereby substantially simulating the appearance

of a non-metal panel formed by a plurality of assembled tongue-and-groove planks, and wherein the panel portion is substantially rectangular in shape and includes a height and a width, the height being greater than the width.

23. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 22, wherein the embossed pattern further comprises a substantially rectangular raised frame portion surrounding the panel portion.

24. (currently amended) An overhead garage door according to claim 22, wherein the ~~panel portion is substantially rectangular in shape and includes a height and a width, wherein the ratio of the height to the width is at least about 1.2:1.~~

25. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 22 wherein the thin-walled face panel is substantially constructed of sheet metal.

26. (previously presented) An overhead garage door according to claim 22 wherein the thin-walled face panel is substantially constructed of plastic.

27. (previously presented) An overhead garage door having an integrally embossed pattern in a thin-walled face, the embossed pattern comprising:

- (a) an integrally-formed panel portion having a rectangular frame portion bordering top, bottom, and side margins of the raised panel;
- b) a recessed, substantially planar panel portion disposed within the rectangular frame portion; and
- (c) at least one integrally-formed, diagonally-oriented, simulated support member disposed within the frame portion of the panel.

28. (previously presented) An overhead garage door having an embossed pattern according to claim 27, wherein the panel portion has a height and a width, and wherein the ratio of the height to the width is at least about 1.2:1.

29. (previously presented) An overhead garage door having an embossed pattern according to claim 27, wherein the substantially planar panel portion includes a plurality of spaced, vertically-oriented, parallel grooves, the substantially planar portion thereby substantially simulating the appearance of a non-metal panel formed by a plurality of assembled tongue-and-groove planks.

30-33. (canceled)

34. (new) An overhead sectional garage door having the appearance of at least two cooperating swinging doors having rail and stile constructions, the garage door consisting essentially of three rectangular door sections, the sections being pivotally connected together one above the other, each of the two lowermost door sections comprising:

(a) a continuous sheet metal skin including a front wall, a top wall, and a bottom wall, the front wall and top wall intersecting at an angle to form an upper corner, and the front wall and bottom wall intersecting at an angle to form a lower corner, wherein the upper and lower corners extend along the full width of the door section, and are characterized by the intersection of not more than two intersecting surface portions of the sheet metal skin; and

(b) a pair of spaced rectangular embossed patterns in the front wall that are separated by a simulated vertical frame member, wherein the simulated vertical frame members of each of the lowermost rectangular garage door sections are positioned such that they vertically align with each other when the garage door is in a closed position such that the two simulated vertical frame members have the appearance of a single continuous vertical frame member spanning the two lowermost door sections.

35. (new) An overhead sectional garage door according to claim 34 wherein each of the two lowermost door sections further comprises an integrally formed vertical groove in the front wall that extends from the top wall to the bottom wall, wherein the vertical grooves in the two lowermost door sections are substantially collinear when the garage door is in the closed position, thereby substantially simulating the appearance of a vertical separation between left and right portions of the two lowermost door sections, and wherein opposed portions of the two

lowermost door sections immediately on either side of the vertical grooves are bilaterally symmetric with each other.

36. (new) An overhead sectional garage door according to claim 34 wherein at least one of the embossed patterns in the front wall of each of the two lowermost door sections includes a simulated diagonal frame member, and wherein the simulated diagonal frame members of each of the lowermost rectangular garage door sections are positioned such that they diagonally align with each other when the door is in a closed position such that the two simulated diagonal frame members have the appearance of a single continuous diagonal frame member spanning the two lowermost door sections.